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1. On 29 July 1947, an unidentified official of the review board of Austrian appeals of USIVA had a private conversation with Dikhomirov, Major General Borisov's deputy. They discussed new instructions from Moscow on the settlement of Soviet claims against the Creditanstalt, part of which is being claimed by Soviets as German property.
2. The Moscow instruction arrived suddenly. It orders the Soviet element and USIVA to investigate immediately and to take over the following four firms:
 - a. Pottendorfer Spinnerei und Felidorfer Weberei, A.G.
 - b. Guntransdorfer-Druckfabrik A.G.
 - c. "Patria" Spinnerei und Wirkwarenfabriken, A.G.
 - d. "Aeterna" Schuhfabriks, A.G.
3. The stock capital of these firms is in the Creditanstalt's possession. The firms being taken are claimed by Soviets to represent their share in the Creditanstalt. Specialists are to take control of the firms this weekend to forestall any removal of machinery or goods.
4. Also discussed were metal factories whose capital stock belongs to the Creditanstalt but no firm names were mentioned.

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